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Report of the Secretary-General

1. Under the terms of Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations, "Members of the United Nations which have or assume responsibilities for the administration of territories whose peoples have not yet attained a full measure of self-government" undertake to transmit regularly to the Secretary-General information "relating to economic, social and educational conditions in the territories for which they are respectively responsible other than those territories to which Chapters XII and XIII apply". In addition, the General Assembly, in several resolutions, the most recent of which was resolution 55/137 of 8 December 2000, requested the administering Powers concerned "to transmit or continue to transmit to the Secretary-General the information prescribed in Article 73 *e* of the Charter, as well as the fullest possible information on political and constitutional developments in the Territories concerned".

2. The table annexed to the present report shows the dates on which information called for under Article 73 *e* of the Charter was transmitted to the Secretary-General in respect of the years from 1999 to 2001.

3. The information transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter follows in general the standard form approved by the General Assembly and includes information on geography, history and population and economic, social and educational conditions. In the case of Territories under the administration of New Zealand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, the annual reports of the Territories also include information on constitutional matters. Additional information on political and constitutional developments on Tokelau is given by the representative of New Zealand during

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meetings of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples. Supplementary information is also made available by New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States concerning Territories under their administration.

4. In compliance with the provisions of paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 1970 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963 and other relevant resolutions of the Assembly, including in particular resolution 55/137, the Secretariat has continued to use the information transmitted in the preparation for the Special Committee of working papers on each Territory. The Special Committee has taken this information into account in formulating its decisions on these Territories, which are set forth in the relevant chapters of the Committee's report to the General Assembly at its current session (see A/56/23 (Part II)). The report also contains an account of the action taken by the Special Committee in implementation of resolution 1970 (XVIII) (ibid., chap. VIII).

Annex

Dates of transmission of information under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations and period covered[a]

	Information received in 2000		*Information received in 2001*	
	Date of transmission	*Period covered*	*Date of transmission*	*Period covered*
France[b]				
New Caledonia[c]	-	-	-	-
New Zealand (1 July-30 June)[d]				
Tokelau	31 March 2000	July 1999-March 2000	23 February 2001	2000-2001
Portugal				
East Timor[e]	-	-	-	-
Spain				
Western Sahara[f]	-	-	-	-
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland				
Anguilla	9 May 2000	1997-1999	12 April 2001	1998-2003
Bermuda	3 May 2000	1997-2001	-	-
British Virgin Islands	9 May 2000	April 2000	25 April 2001	1998-2001
Cayman Islands	3 May 2000	1998	12 April 2001	1999
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	5 May 2000	June 1998-July 1999	3 May 2001	2000-2001
Gibraltar	3 May 2000	1999	12 April 2001) 25 April 2001)	2000
Montserrat	-	-	25 April 2001	1999-2002
Pitcairn	9 May 2000	April 2000	-	-
Saint Helena	-	-	25 April 2001	2000-2003
Turks and Caicos Islands	8 May 2000	1998-2003	-	-
United States of America (1 October-30 September)[g]				
American Samoa	-	-	28 March 2001	2000-2005
Guam	-	-	31 March 2001	2000-2005
United States Virgin Islands	-	-	31 March 2001	2000-2005

[a] For a preliminary list of Territories to which the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960) applies, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighteenth Session, Annexes*, addendum to agenda item 23 (A/54/46/Rev.1), annex I.

[b] The Government of France has not transmitted information under Article 73 *e* of the Charter, but it has made available to the Secretariat a report on the situation in New Caledonia in 2000.

[c] According to its resolution 41/41 A of 2 December 1986, the General Assembly "considers that, in the light of the provisions of Chapter XI of the Charter of the United Nations and General Assembly resolutions 1514 (XV) and 1541 (XV), New Caledonia is a Non-Self-Governing Territory within the meaning of the Charter".

[d] Period extends from 1 July of the year listed to 30 June of the following year.

[e] The United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor established by Security Council resolution 1272 (1999) of 25 October 1999, is endowed with overall responsibility for the administration of East Timor until the Territory achieves independence.

[f] On 26 February 1976, the Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations informed the Secretary-General that "the

Spanish Government, as of today, definitely terminates its presence in the Territory of the Sahara and deems it necessary to place the following on record: ... (a) Spain considers itself henceforth exempt from any responsibility of an international nature in connection with the administration of the said Territory, in view of the cessation of its participation in the temporary administration established for the Territory ..." (A/31/56-S/11997). For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-first Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1976*.

[a] Period extends from 1 October of the previous year to 30 September of the year listed.